AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the first paragraph of the Specification as follows:

The present application is an REI of 08/713,872 filed September 13, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 5,867,343, which is a continuation-in-part application of U.S. patent Serial No. 08/641,685, now U.S. Patent No. 6,008,962, entitled "Method and Apparatus for Providing Read and Write Skew Offset Information for a Magneto-Resistive Head" filed May 1, 1996.